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This amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed April 17, 2002 in the aboveidentified application.

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An IDS in full compliance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) and including the uninitialed references from the IDS filed July 2, 2001 will be forwarded under separate cover.

In the specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 29, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Biosensors based on surface plasmon resonance (SPR) effects have also been proposed, for example, in U.S. Patent No. 5,485,277. These devices exploit the shift in SPR surface reflection angle that occurs with perturbations, *e.g.*, binding events, at the SPR interface. Finally, a variety of biosensors that utilize changes in optical properties at a biosensor surface are known, *e.g.*, U.S. Patent No. 5,268,305.

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